

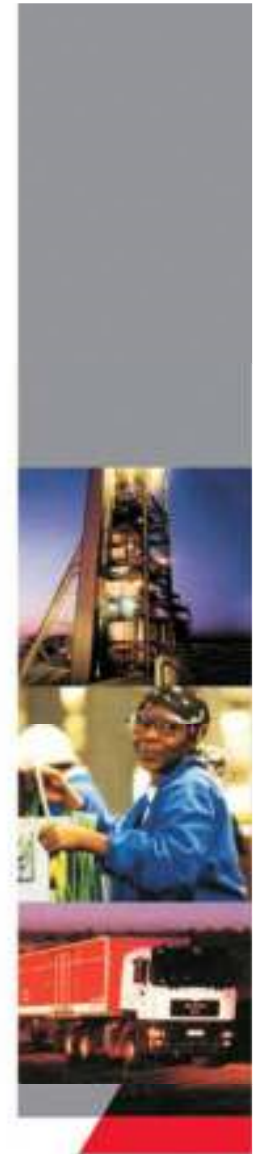
TRANSPORTATION INCIDENT – ANFEX TRUCK FIRE



ANFEX Truck Incident Details

SCOPE

- **Background**
- **What Happened**
- **Impact and how it was handled.**
- **Learning Points**
- **Suggested Good Practices**
- **Emergency Planning and Testing**



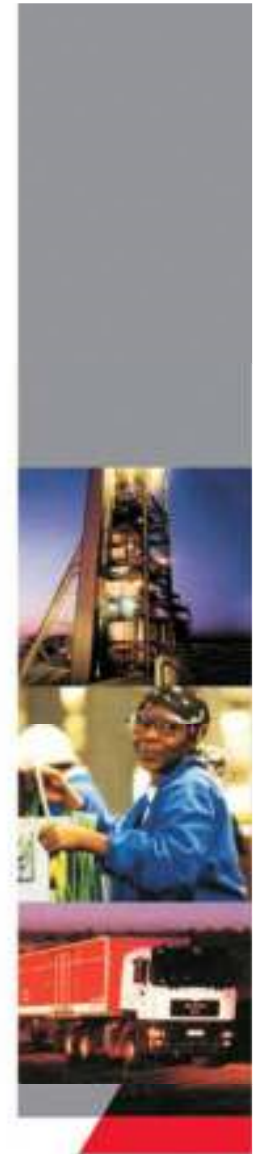
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1. Incident Location

- Warmbaths Area, Limpopo, South Africa.

2. Date and Time of the Incident

- On 02 March 2006 at approximately 05h10am.



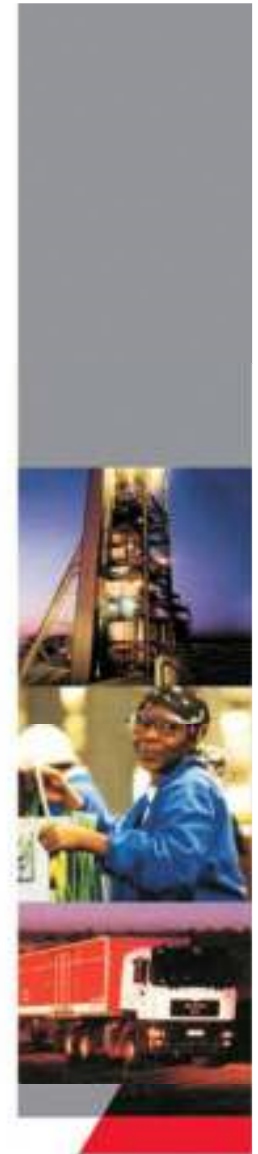
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3. Background

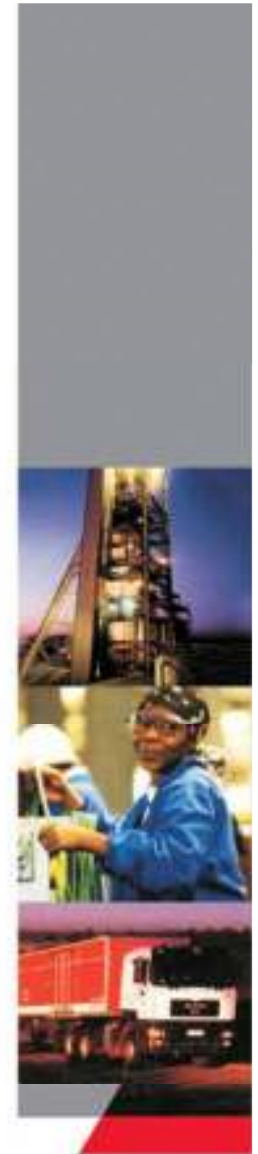
- Two drivers from Unitrans (Contractors) were on route to finish a delivery for African Explosives Limited.
- AEL outsourced the distribution of explosives to Unitrans, this includes explosives and accessories deliveries in South Africa and even Africa.
- The truck was fully loaded with ANFEX (20 tons).



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4. What Happened?

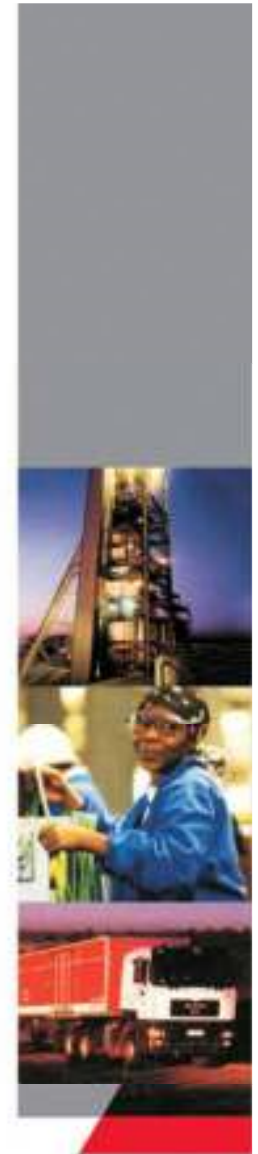
- Drivers were on route to deliver the product for AEL.
- Driver had to stop as he noticed that there were stones and baskets stacked in the middle of the road.
- The driver stopped immediately and first noticed the hijackers coming from the side of the road.
- The driver asked them what was wrong and this is when they pointed the driver and co-driver with firearms.



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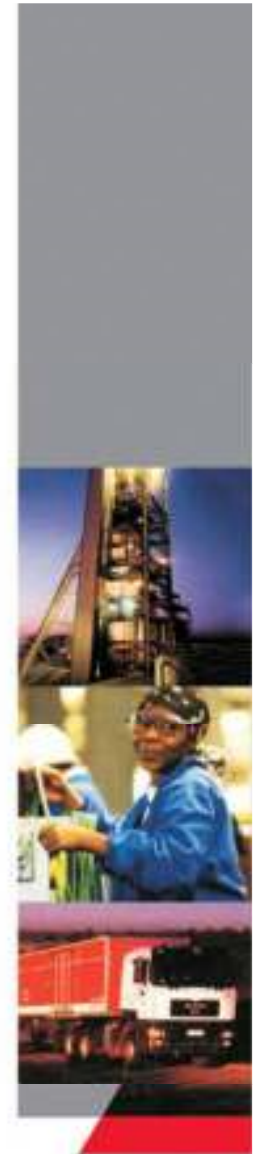
- The driver and co-driver immediately surrendered and did what they asked.
- The hijackers took off with the horse and trailer (full-unit).
- The truck was monitored via satellite and was found about 10 kilometres from the hijacking point.
- The hijackers tried to get away and subsequently lost control of the vehicle.
- The vehicle then turned on it's side and a fire started. Speeding and lost control.
- The hijackers ran away, leaving the truck whilst it was burning.



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5. Impact and How it was handled.

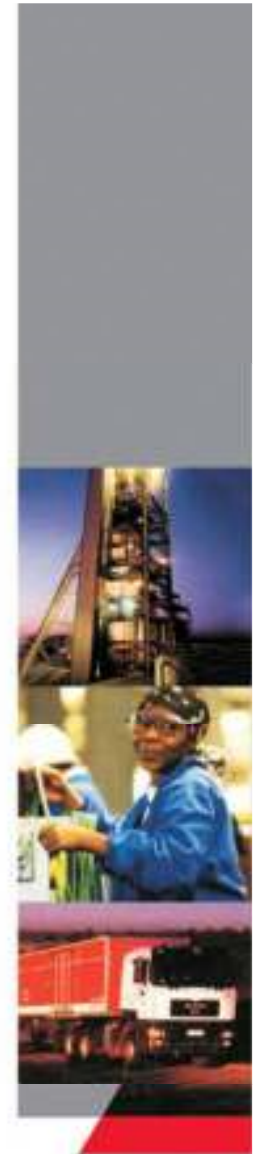
- The truck was burning, fire department responded as well as many people in the surrounding area gathered around the incident scene to see what was happening.
- This included a Farmer who lived close-by.
- The truck was fully loaded with AEL product (20 tons ANFEX) and the fire destroyed both the horse and trailer as well as the product which was loaded in the enclosed trailer.
- Truck was basically left to burn out.



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5. Impact and How it was handled.

- The Chief Inspector Explosives also responded and a helicopter scanned the area to try and apprehend the hijackers.
- AEL was contacted to ascertain what the characteristics of the product entailed.
- We believe that this was done too late.



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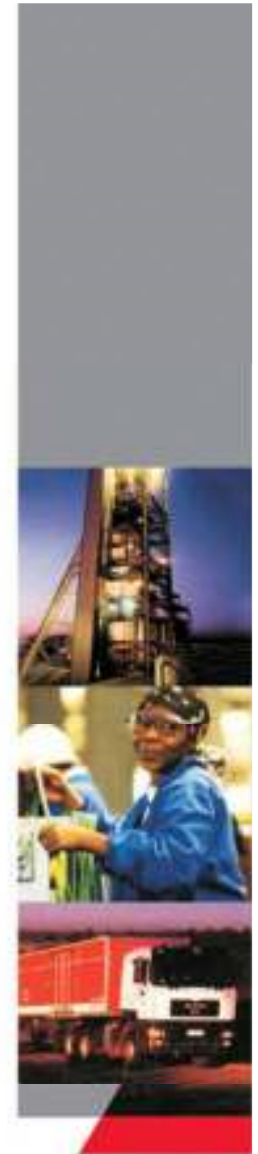
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6. Learning Points

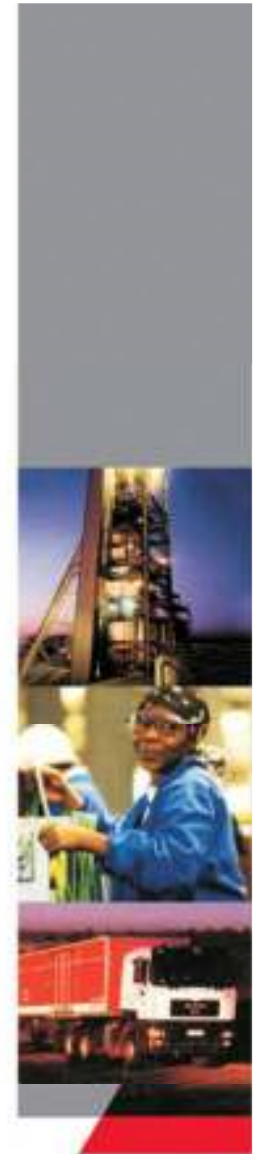
- **Vigilance in identifying risks/hazards such as items stacked in the middle of the road.**
- **Plans of action should be in place to evade the risk by identifying it in time and if possible to find an alternative route.**
- **Co-operate to the demands of the hijackers at all times.**



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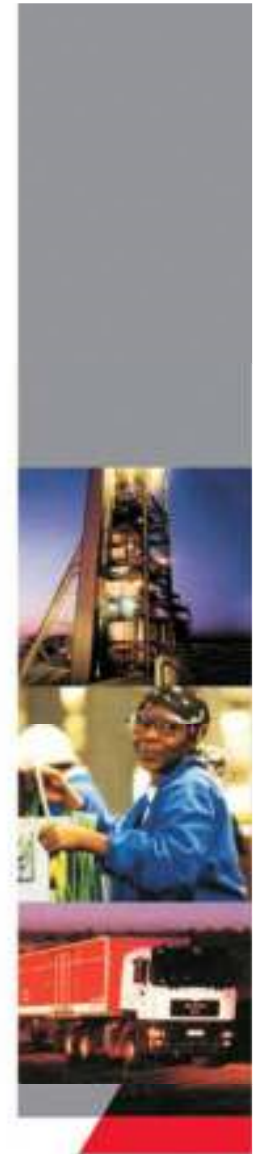
- Drivers of vehicles in case of an accident (if alive) inform the emergency services of the specific load and hand over the relevant documentation if possible.
- This was not possible in this case as the vehicle was hijacked.
- All onlookers should be evacuated from the scene and in this case approximately 1.5 kilometres away.
- A detonation would have killed approximately 10-20 people.



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7. Suggested Good Practices

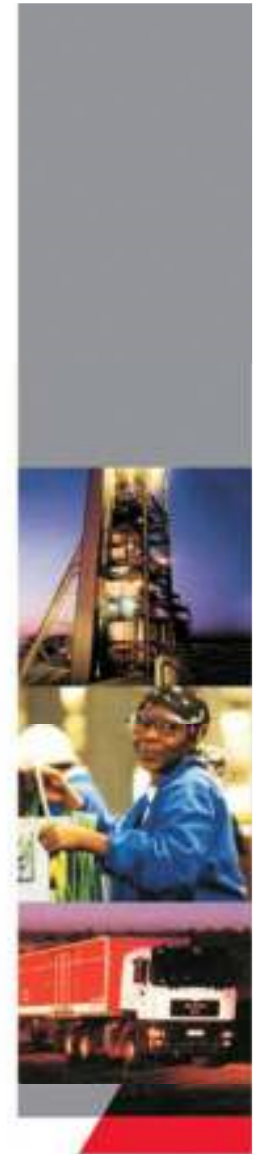
- **Collect information and clarify consequences of the disaster, e.g. safety, environmental, business etc. What has happened, where and when?**
- **Notify Head Office and relevant external authorities.**
- **Establish local Crisis Management Team as appropriate. (Local management to establish an appropriate incident centre and support staff).**



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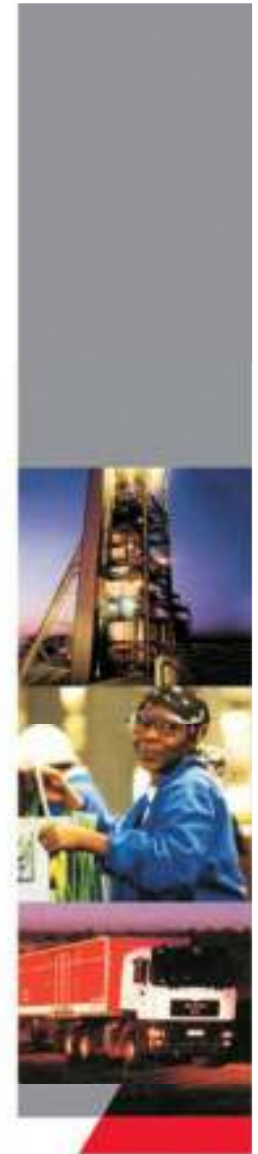
- Make disaster site safe without exposing Crisis Team to unnecessary risks.
- Contain environmental effects.
- Ensure all affected parties are kept informed appropriately.
- Ensure good communication with media.
- Collect data for investigation/enquiries.
- Check number of casualties, nature and actions in hand to deal with them.
- Check circumstances in locality of incident.



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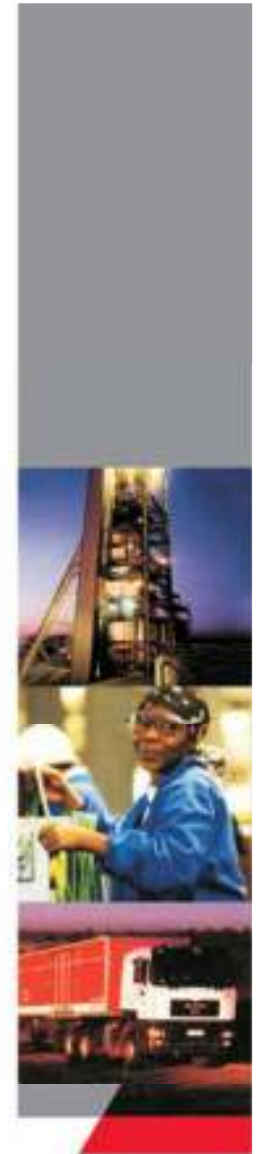
- Establish who has been informed:
e.g. Police, fire, ambulance, hospitals, next of kin.
- Factory inspectorate/Inspector of Explosives
- Head Office - AEL
- Local authority/Local groups
- Employees
- Media
- Establish who else needs to be informed.
- Adjacent premises or exposures.
- Other government departments.
- Establish if resources on site are sufficient



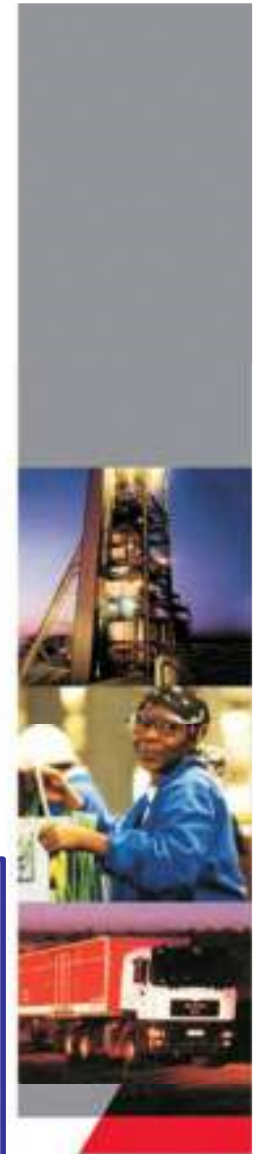
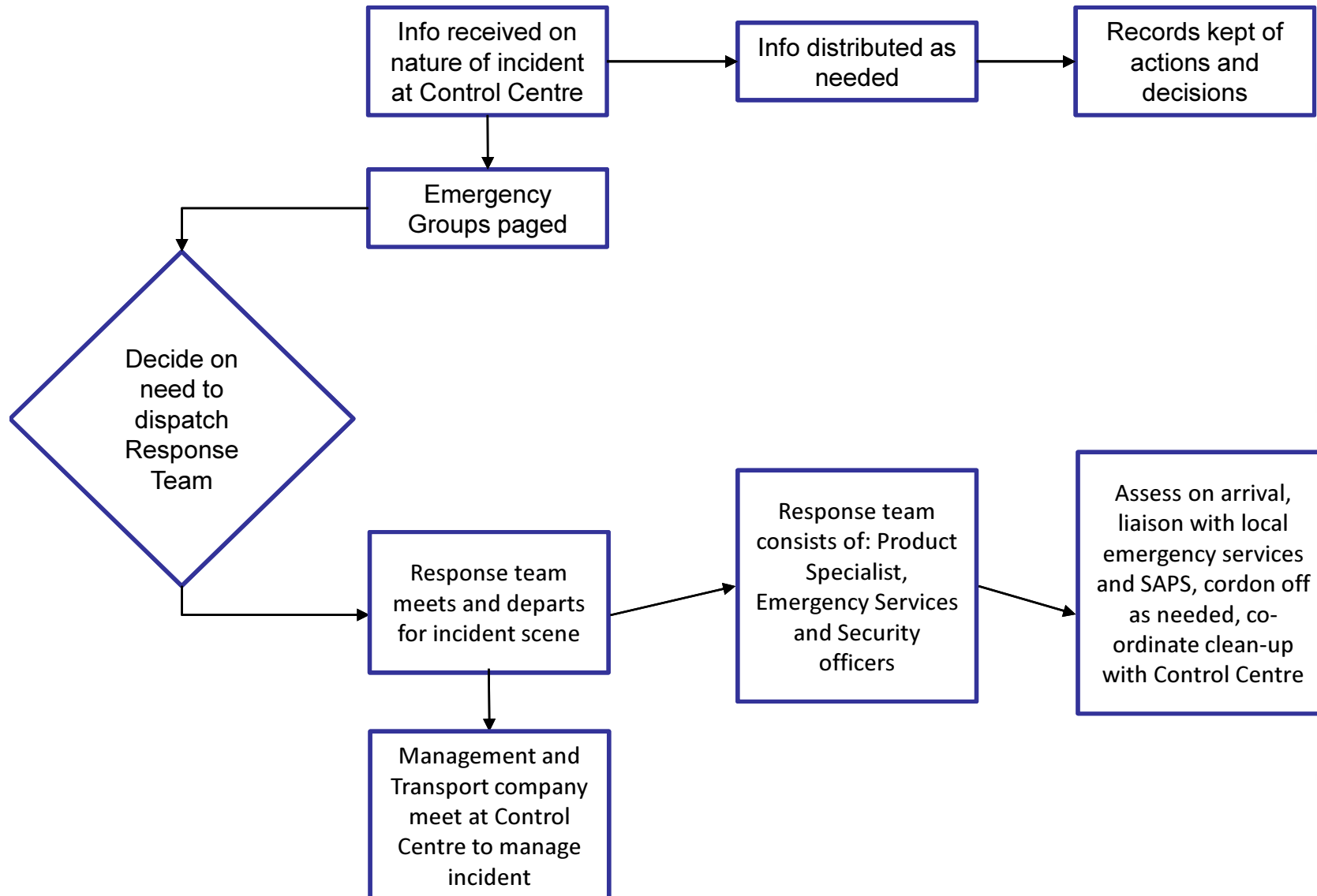
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7. Suggested Good Practices

- Establish what other resources / advice is needed.
- Ensure good communication channels been set up with:
 - Emergency services
 - Crisis Team
 - Local authorities
 - Assess risk to the public – Very Important!



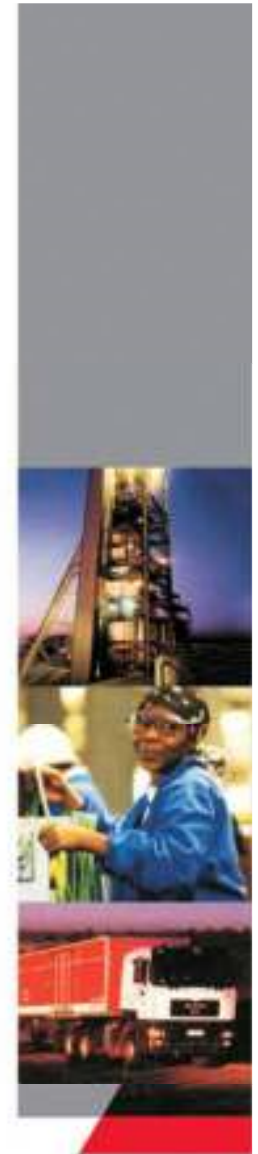
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8. Emergency Planning Testing

- Write procedures
- Provide training to role-players
- Practise the plan
- Revise the plan based on exercise results
- TEST the plan
- Emergency plans are fluid – situations change, the plan should change with circumstances



Thank you

